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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was received by Applicant stating that "the amendment filed on 8/13/01 is considered non-compliant because it has not been submitted in the format required under 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on September 8, 2000". A copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is attached hereto.

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Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, please delete the paragraph beginning on line 6, and insert the following paragraph:

This application is related to commonly assigned and co-pending U.S. Patent series number 08/835,129 (Attorney docket No. AT997108 entitled "Heuristic Bus Performance Optimization", filed on April 4, 1997 and abandoned on April 20, 1999.

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